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NATIONAL SECURITY COUNCIL WASHINGTON

May 17, 1954

MEMORANDUM FOR THE NATIONAL SECURITY COUNCIL

SUBJECT:

Importation of Communist Propaganda

REFERENCES:

A. NSC Action No. 1114

B. Memos for NSC from Executive Secretary, same subject, dated April 19, May 4 and 12, 1954

The National Security Council, the Secretary of the Treasury, the Attorney General, the Postmaster General, the Secretary of Commerce and the Director, Bureau of the Budget, at the 197th Council meeting on May 13, 1954 (NSC Action No. 1114)

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- a. Discussed the subject on the basis of the reference memoranda, and agreed that legislation on this subject should not be proposed at this time.
- b. Agreed that, in lieu of legislation on the subject, the responsible departments and agencies should remain alert to this problem and should do everything possible within the means now available to defeat the Communist objectives in importing propaganda into the United States.

Accordingly, the above actions, as approved by the President on May 14, are transmitted herewith for implementation by the responsible departments and agencies of the Government.

JAMES S. LAY, Jr. Executive Secretary

cc: The Secretary of the Treasury

The Attorney General The Postmaster General

The Secretary of Commerce The Director, Bureau of the Budget The Chairman, Joint Chiefs of Staff

The Director of Central Intelligence

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